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In re patent application of

Shigeo Nishitoba

Serial No.: 10/026,466



Group Art Unit: 2816

Filed: December 27, 2001

Examiner: Long T. Nguyen

For: DRIVING CIRCUIT AND CONSTANT CURRENT DRIVING APPARATUS  
USING THE SAME

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 through §1.99 and pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, applicant respectfully brings the document cited in the Korean Office Action dated January 27, 2004, and listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. Copies of the listed documents are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner.

In compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3), as a concise statement of relevance, as it is presently understood by the individual designated in 35 U.S.C. §1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the content of the information, the undersigned attorney of record submits a translation of portions of an official action by a foreign examiner in which the reference was cited. No independent analysis of the reference, the accuracy of the statement of the foreign examiner or the claims of the foreign application under the laws of that country or the United States relative to the subject matter claimed in the present application has been made, the present understanding of the contents thereof by the undersigned being based on the translation of the foreign examiner's comments submitted herewith.

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I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was the first citation of that item by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, which occurred not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

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Submitted herewith is the Information Disclosure Statement fee of \$180.00.

It is respectfully requested that the listed reference be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this application.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

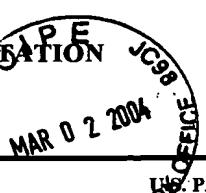
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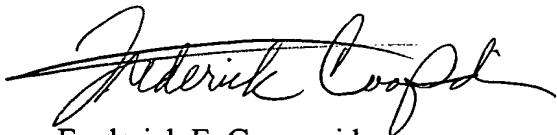
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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests that the Information Disclosure Statement filed on January 26, 2004, citing the Korean Office Action dated October 27, 2003, and reference cited therein, be officially acknowledged and made a part of the record in the above application.

For the Examiner's convenience, copies PTO-1449 form and USPTO dated-stamped Post Card Filing Receipt are attached hereto. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner officially acknowledge the disclosed information and promptly return the initialed Form PTO-1449.

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